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AMENDMENT
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2001, to which Applicants respond with a three-month extension of time as requested in the accompanying petition, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 9 and add new Claims 21-26 as shown in the clean claims that follow. (Marked-up claims are attached as Appendix 1 to this amendment.)

1. (Amended Four Times) A method for detecting a fusion nucleic acid consisting essentially of the steps of:
- a) providing a sample containing a first single-stranded fusion nucleic acid comprising a splice junction;

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